

# SLAIN; BODY BURNED

WOMAN AND FIVE CHILDREN ARE CREMATED ALIVE BY VILLA BAND.

## ATROCITIES BEGGAR WORDS

Bandit Leader Reported to Have Discriminated in Favor of Two Nationalities, and Even These Suffer to Limited Extent.

Western Newspaper Union News Service. El Paso, Tex.—An unidentified American was killed when a Villa band took Jimenez, and four Americans were seen under a guard of bandits at Parral during Villa's occupation of that town, according to reports believed by federal agents to be authentic, brought to the border by refugees.

Refugees further state that the district between Parral and Jimenez has been routed by Villa's followers of more than 200 Chinese. The American killed at Jimenez was described as about 50 years old, and known to be from Torreon on his way to Chihuahua city. He was murdered, said the refugees, in the Jimenez hotel, and his body lay for some time in front of the building, when, after being robbed and clothing and valuables, it was placed on a bonfire.

The same refugees, who claim to have been witnesses of the outrages, also say that two Mexican women who had married Chinese and their five children were bound and thrown alive into the fire and cremated in sight of the crowd. The bodies of seven murdered Chinese, according to the same authority, were in the streets of the town.

Two Mexicans, who escaped from Parral, affirm that they saw four Americans there under a Villa guard. They said these men had lived in the town, adding that they heard the Americans working at the Alvarado mines got away. Another report brought to the border was to the effect that the bodies of thirty-five captives of both sexes were seen on the roadside near Parral, murdered and robbed by Villa bandits. The eyes were believed to be of Syrian origin.

All foreigners that Villa has caught, except Japanese and Germans, have been put to death, the reports agree, and even the Germans are said to have suffered at least in the instance of Theodore Hoemuller, of Parral.

### DO YOU WANT TO BORROW?

Federal Farm Loan Board Issues Letter to Farmers.

Sioux City, Ia.—To establish the need for federal farm loan aid in the Sioux City territory the federal farm loan board has issued a circular calling on farmers to fill in forms indicating their desire for loans, the amount of loans and their desire to negotiate such loans under the provisions of the federal farm loan law.

The board has asked of the various newspapers of the state that they print a form letter to be filled in by farmers and sent to the board. The letter is as follows:

Federal Farm Loan Board, Washington, D. C.—Gentlemen: The undersigned resident of \_\_\_\_\_ county, Iowa, is interested in negotiating a loan of \$..... under the federal farm loan act, providing an advantageous rate of interest is established. Full information and the necessary blanks for the organization of a local association, as provided in the law, is also desired.

Name.....  
Address.....

Persons interested in getting loans in Sioux City territory are being urged to fill out a letter similar to the one above and to forward it to Washington. These letters will reach the board before it sits to take up the matter of establishing the new banking centers. It is the expectation that thousands of letters, showing the needs of the farmers in this section will be sent in before the meeting, which is scheduled for December.

The board has issued a statement, that while it cannot now promise specific interest rates, the rates will be as low as the lowest ever made in Iowa and the territory surrounding Sioux City, with the added feature that the borrower can elect to pay off the loan in five to forty years, that the loan may be paid off on the installment plan and that renewals need not serve to frighten borrowers.

It is planned to have the banks in operation about February 1. The applications for information and the statement of loan desires should reach Washington before December 10.

Boby Washed Ashore.

Chicago.—The body of 9-year-old Cyril ("Sonny") Mathews, who was lost from his home nine months ago, was washed ashore on Lake Michigan. Search for the boy had been kept up continuously by his parents and by schoolmates, but no word had ever been known of his fate.

Share in a Fortune.

Detroit, Mich.—Miss Hannah Hesse, maid in a local hotel, received word from her brother, Louis E. Hesse, of Sistersville, W. Va., that she had fallen heir to \$100,000 left to herself and three brothers by an aunt who lived in Johnstown, Pa. Miss Hesse is 24 years old.

Shoot Down Zeppelin.

Petrograd.—Russian troops near Sorany, south east of Pinsk, have brought down a large zeppelin airship. The crew of sixteen was captured.

# WIN KEY TO MONASTIR

TOWN OF KENALI TAKEN FROM BULGARIAN TROOPS BY EN-TENTE ARMIES.

## EIGHT OTHER VILLAGES TAKEN

Franco-Russ-Serbian Forces Continue Drive Against Foes—Petrograd Says Von Mackensen Is Retreating—Berlin Reports Successes for Teutons.

London, Nov. 18.—Kenali, the key to Monastir, has fallen. An official Serbian dispatch from Saloniki on Thursday declares that the town, eight miles to the southwest of the objective of the Franco-Russ-Serbian advance on the western Macedonia front, which was defended by 15 miles of German trenches, has been abandoned. The Serbian official communication says:

"We continue to pursue the enemy on the left bank of the Cerna river. Supported by fresh troops the enemy made a strong stand on the line of Iven-Yarashok, which had long since been fortified. After determined fighting we succeeded in breaking seriously into this line at several points. The villages of Chegel, Baldents, Negochani and Yarashok monastery have been wrested from the enemy.

"On the right bank of the Cerna the enemy has been compelled to abandon his principal line of organized defense and retire in the direction of Monastir. The Bulgarians have been driven from the villages of Bukri, Gorn-Jegri, Sredno-Jegri and Don-Jegri, as well as from the town of Kenali.

"Army group of Field Marshal von Mackensen—The activity north of Campulung increased. Along the roads leading southward through Rotherthum and Szurdok passes the Romanians tenaciously defended their own territory. We made progress and captured five officers and more than 1,200 soldiers."

Petrograd, Nov. 18.—The war office announces that Field Marshal von Mackensen's army is in retreat in Dobrodja, burning villages as it falls back. On the Transylvania front in the region of Campulung, Roumania, fierce fighting is in progress.

Sofia, Nov. 18.—The retreat of the German-Bulgarian forces in the Cerna bend, under the assaults of the Serbians, is admitted in the official statement issued by the war office.

### 3 GERMANS KILLED BY VILLA

Bandit Leader Enraged by Display of Ears That He Cut From Carranza Soldiers.

El Paso, Tex., Nov. 18.—Theodore Hoemuller, a merchant of Parral, Chihuahua, together with his wife and baby, were killed by Villa bandits when Villa occupied Parral, a report received here by a Parral mining company states. Hoemuller is said to be a German subject.

According to the report made to the mining company by a Chinese and Arab refugee from Parral, Hoemuller's execution was ordered because he had permitted a display of 18 pairs of ears cut from Carranza soldiers, together with an insulting letter against Villa, in the windows of his store in Parral.

The ears, the refugee said, had been cut from Carranza soldiers of the Parral garrison, captured by Villa's bandits three months before.

### WISCONSIN OFFICIAL RESIGNS

Attorney General Walter C. Owen, Elected by Record Vote, Sends Resignation to Gov. Philipp.

Madison, Wis., Nov. 18.—Walter C. Owen, attorney general, re-elected to that office by the biggest vote cast for any candidate at the election on November 7, on Thursday sent his resignation to Governor Philipp, to take effect in January. The reason as given is that Mr. Owen will join a large legal firm at the state capital. Mr. Owen was being groomed to the supreme court and was also considered a likely candidate for governor at the next election. His sudden resolve to give up an office to which he has just been elected has caused much speculation in the state. Mr. Owen was the avowed leader of the La Follette faction in Wisconsin.

### BISHOP C. E. CHENEY IS DEAD

Noted Chicago Leader Succumbs After Fifty-Six Years of Service With One Church.

Chicago, Nov. 17.—Bishop Charles Edward Cheney of the Chicago synod of the Reformed Episcopal church, which he helped establish, and for 56 years rector of Christ church, died on Wednesday in his eighty-first year.

### Shoots Down Twenty-One Airplanes.

Paris, Nov. 20.—Lieutenant Guyonmer of the French air corps, shot down his twenty-first airplane in a sky battle over the Somme front, the war office announced. Fifty-four air combats took place along the front.

### Duma Re-Elects President.

Petrograd, Nov. 20.—Michael Vladimirovitch Rodzianko has been re-elected president of the duma. M. Rodzianko has presided over the duma since 1911, being re-elected each year since that time.

# THE END OF THE BENCH



## WILL FIGHT RAIL LAW REPLY ON BLACKLIST

OFFICIAL SAYS RAILROADS WON'T SHIFT RESPONSIBILITY.

Kansas City Man to Aid U. S. in Battle Against Carriers on Adamson Law.

Chicago, Nov. 18.—Every railroad in the country will fight the Adamson eight-hour law and await an interpretation of its meaning, if it is found constitutional, according to a prominent Chicago railroad man. The official made this statement following the filing of new suits attacking the constitutionality of the law and asking injunctions to prevent its enforcement. The Chicago & Alton railroad filed a suit in Chicago on Wednesday, while the Pennsylvania railroad began similar action in the federal court at Philadelphia and the New York Central began action in New York.

Washington, Nov. 17.—Suits by railroads attacking the constitutionality of the eight-hour railroad law were begun in many parts of the country and the department of justice laid plans to defend them.

The department on Wednesday issued this statement: "A large number of suits attacking the constitutionality of the Adamson law have been instituted in various parts of the United States. The department of justice will take direct charge of these cases, and Frank Gorman of Kansas City, Mo., has been retained to assist in their preparation and trial."

Prompt and final decision by the Supreme court of constitutionality of the law is possible under federal court practice, it was stated by lawyers familiar with federal procedure.

### DARIO RESTA WINS RACE

Smashes All Records for Event and Also for Santa Monica Course—Cooper Finishes Second.

Santa Monica, Cal., Nov. 18.—Smashing fragments all previous records for the Vanderbilt cup race and also for the Santa Monica course on Thursday, Dario Resta, in a Peugeot, won the eleventh annual event in 3:22:48 3-5, an average of 86.90 miles an hour. The previous time for the 204-mile contest was set on the same course in 1914 by Ralph DePalma, who negotiated the distance at an average of 75.40 miles an hour. Aitken and his Peugeot went out in the twentieth lap with a broken valve. Earl Cooper, in a Stutz, who stayed at second or third throughout the race, finished second. William Weightman, a millionaire Chicago sportsman, drove his Dusenbergs to third money.

### RDER TROOPS FROM BORDER

Indiana and Wisconsin Regiments Among Those Withdrawn From Service Along Rio Grande.

Washington, Nov. 18.—Five National Guard regiments were ordered home from the Mexican border on Thursday. They are the First regiment of South Carolina, Seventh New York, Third Indiana, Third Wisconsin and Third Minnesota.

In a statement announcing the order the war department said it was in continuation of the policy "announced some time ago gradually to withdraw National Guard regiments from the border as conditions permit, and, in accordance with the recommendations of General Finston, these regiments have been ordered home."

### Fire Destroys Railway Station.

San Bernardino, Cal., Nov. 20.—Fire here destroyed the big Santa Fe station and several of the car shops, causing loss estimated at \$225,000. Twelve passenger coaches in course of construction were burned.

### War to Last Another Year.

New York, Nov. 20.—The war in Europe will last at least another year, according to Frederick Palmer, war correspondent, who arrived here on the Holland-American liner Nieuwe Amsterdam.

# U-BOAT RAMS TUG

DEUTSCHLAND COLLIDES WITH CRAFT ACTING AS CONVOY WHILE LEAVING U. S.

## ALL MEMBERS OF CREW DIE

Captain Hinsch of Interned Steamer Only One on Board Small Boat Saved—Diver Is Damaged and Returns to New London, Conn.

New London, Conn., Nov. 20.—Five dives were lost when the German submarine Deutschland, which left port on Friday morning for Bremen rammed and sent to the bottom with its crew of five the tug T. A. Scott, Jr., one of its two convoying tugs. After the accident the Deutschland returned to this port.

The only person on the tug saved was Capt. Fred Hinsch of the German interned liner Neckar. The tug, which belonged to the T. A. Scott Wrecking company, went to the bottom.

The list of dead includes: Capt. John Gurney; William A. Caton, engineer; Edward Stone, fireman; Clarence B. Davison, cook; Eugene Duzart, deckhand.

The Deutschland returned to its dock here at 5:15 a. m.

An eddy caused the accident, according to Capt. Harry Baker of the tug Cassie, the other convoy of the submarine. The Cassie was traveling about half a mile astern of the Deutschland, while the Scott and the submarine were moving almost abreast. The sea was calm, Captain Baker said, and conditions were normal. The Scott carried the usual lights, but the Deutschland had only its headlight and two side lights. The tide was running almost full and when about seven miles west of Race rock they struck an eddy, which twisted them about and out of control. Then they came together. He heard the crash.

Captain Baker said that when the collision occurred he at once headed for the spot. On arriving there he saw Captain Hinsch in the water and took him on board the Cassie. Earlier reports had it that Hinsch had been rescued by the Deutschland.

Henry G. Hilken of Baltimore, president of the Eastern Forwarding company, said that so far as he knew the only damage the Deutschland suffered was a twisted stem. It was learned later, however, that the undersea boat has in its bow at least one hole about twenty inches square. A portable forge was taken down to the pier and the hole is being patched.

Capt. W. A. Fones, shore superintendent of the Scott company, in charge of the repairs, said the Deutschland might be ready to leave within two or three days.

Captain Koenig of the Deutschland appeared pale and shaken as he stepped ashore from his vessel on its return. He refused to talk about the collision.

"The accident happened all in a minute," according to a member of the Deutschland's crew, who talked briefly about it. The tug, he said, got in front of the submarine and the Deutschland struck it in the stern, lifting it so far out of the water that the tug's nose went under.

The Deutschland drew out of its pocket at the pier of the Eastern Forwarding company at 1:30 o'clock in the morning, accompanied by the tugs T. A. Scott, Jr., and the Alert of the T. A. Scott Wrecking company, sub-agents of the Eastern Forwarding company. It carried a cargo valued at \$2,000,000, consisting of nickel, rubber and silver bars.

### MEXICANS FREE U. S. SCOUT

Benjamin Brahan Declares He Was Threatened With Death for Aid in General Pershing.

El Paso, Tex., Nov. 17.—After being in the Juarez jail since November 7, during which time he expected to be shot as a Villa spy, Benjamin Brahan was released on Wednesday at the military headquarters in Juarez and came to the American side of the river.

Brahan said he knew of no reason why he was arrested other than that he was a scout for General Pershing in Mexico.

He said: "I was not told officially that I was to be shot, but I was given to understand I would be executed. After Andreas Garcia took an interest in my case I was treated much better."

### ROOSEVELT TO VISIT FIJIS

Will Also Make Journey to the Samoan and Hawaiian Islands—Wife to Accompany Him.

New York, Nov. 20.—Theodore Roosevelt will make a trip to the Fiji, Samoan and Hawaiian islands in February, it was announced. It was said that Mrs. Roosevelt will accompany him.

### American Schooner Is Lost.

Washington, Nov. 20.—It was reported to the navy department that the American schooner Fred H. Davenport was wrecked in a storm off Cape Francis, Porto Rico, and three members of her crew are missing.

### Reduces Size to Aid Britain.

London, Nov. 20.—To assist the government's efforts toward a maximum economy in the use of shipping the London Daily News announces that it will cut down the size of its issues to six pages.

# GOSSIP FROM STATE HOUSE

It is understood that George Jackson of Nelson will oppose J. A. Olin of Ord for speaker of the house in the coming legislature.

The Lincoln Telephone company has filed a demurrer with the supreme court regarding property valuations as returned by the assessor in Johnson county.

Friends of L. F. Langhorst are said to be urging his claims to the office of deputy pure food commissioner, to succeed Charles E. Harman, the present incumbent.

The old debt of Saunders county, \$10,834, due the state for the care of insane patients under a former law, has been liquidated with the payment to Auditor Smith of \$335.49.

Chancellor Avery of the state university, was the chief speaker at the convention of the Nebraska State teachers' association, at Omaha Friday, "Educational Tendencies," being his theme.

A Lincoln county grain firm has asked the railway commission to compel it to furnish cars for transportation of grain and hay, urging that it needs twenty cars a day for shipping hay to Wyoming.

F. C. Radke and L. T. Fleetwood, both senior law students at the state university, were the successful candidates for the legislature in their counties. Radke is from Wynot and Fleetwood from Wakefield.

The state board of agriculture reports that Nebraska assessors found a total of 61,447 cream separators in the state on April 1st. Custer county had the greatest number and Garfield county the least.

Federal Game Inspector Holland says he finds that hunters generally throughout the state are anxious to obey the game laws, and that very few cases of illegal hunting or killing are being brought to his notice.

Railway Commissioners Taylor and Hall and Rate Expert U. G. Powell have gone to Washington, D. C., to attend the annual convention of state railway commissioners. The question of federal regulation of railroads will be discussed.

Official election returns are being received at the office of the secretary of state, and as rapidly as possible being gotten into shape and tabulated for the state canvassing board, which meets near the end of the month.

Only 25 per cent of the 22,315 box cars owned by the Union Pacific are on their home line, according to a special report made at the Omaha headquarters at the request of the Nebraska railway commission, in the commission's probe into the car shortage situation in Nebraska on that line.

A move is on foot to bring about more effective cooperation between Nebraska industries and the state university. Frank Ringer, secretary of the manufacturers' association, urges that the university's influence in promoting modern manufacturing methods should be as great as that in increasing efficiency in the work of agriculture.

Simplified spelling will invade Nebraska schools, if a recommendation adopted by the Nebraska Teachers' association at its Omaha meeting is placed generally in effect. Colorado, Kansas and other western states have already taken up the simplified form of spelling these designated words, and the action of the association in supporting the "reform" will go a long way toward assuring their general use in this state.

State Veterinarian J. S. Anderson is pleased with the manner in which horsemen at the Grand Island market are enforcing his regulations for the control of the disease which affects the mouths of horses. The men in charge of the market are discouraging the shipping of animals to the market. This is done for the purpose of stopping the importation of the disease from Denver and Ogden and other places where it exists.

Reports on the conditions of the east wing of the capitol building, with a view to making it safe for the coming of the legislature, will be ready shortly, according to J. H. Craddock of Omaha, who held a brief conference with Governor Morehead recently. Mr. Craddock, who is architect for the state normal board, is on Governor Morehead's special commission appointed to look into the condition of the east wing, which bore indications of having settled a quarter of an inch after one of the heavy summer rains.

The average temperature for October, 1915, was about normal in the southeastern counties and below normal in the other portions of the state. The largest deficiency was nearly 2 degrees in the northwestern portion. The lowest temperatures occurred on the 19th or 20th and they were between 10 and 20 degrees except in the northwest, where a few temperatures below 10 degrees occurred.

The precipitation was near normal in the western counties, but in the eastern portion of the state there was an average deficiency of slightly less than an inch.